

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. [Twice Amended] Substantially pure connective tissue growth factor (CTGF) polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide ~~or frag-~~
~~ments thereof~~ [which are mitogenic and chemotactic for connective tissue cells] is characterized by:

- (a) mitogenic and chemotactic activity for connective tissue cells;
- (b) a molecular weight of approximately 36 kD by non-reducing SDS-PAGE and approximately 38 kD by reducing SDS-PAGE;
- (c) binding to a PDGF receptor;
- (d) existing as a monomer; and
- (e) a polypeptide sequence according to Sequence ID No.

2.

Please cancel claim 4.

14. [Twice Amended] Antibodies which [specifically] bind the CTGF
2. [or fragments thereof] polypeptide of Sequence ID No.2, but not platelet derived growth factor (PDGF).

REMARKS

In a telephone conversation on October 19, 1993, Applicants' representative discussed the entry of the present amendment with the Examiner. Reconsideration of the amendments herein is respectfully requested in light of the Advisory Action dated July 20, 1993, stating that Applicants' response to the Office Action of January 12, 1993, was not entered. Amendments herein are made in response to the helpful suggestions by the Examiner.